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Economic Development CommitteeDRAFT Minutes

Thursday, December 12, 2013 9:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois 60606

Committee Members Present:

Jerry Weber (College of Lake County), Oswaldo Alvarez (Fry Foundation), Peter Creticos (Institute for Work and the Economy), Joanna Greene (Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership), Rand Haas (Medusa Consulting), Judith Kossy (Policy Planning Partners), MaryBeth Marshall (DuPage Workforce Board), , Lance Pressl (Institute for Work and the Economy), Carrie Thomas (Chicago Jobs Council).

Staff Present:

Jonathan Burch, Lindsay Hollander, Matt Maloney, Jackie Murdock, Brian Peterson, Simone Weil, Ylda Capriccioso, Annie Byrne

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Jerry Weber

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes – November 14, 2013

The minutes were approved.

4.0 Economic Development Strategies, Simone Weil

CMAP staff presented an overview of research on economic development practices from several states across the country. Staff described the findings from case studies conducted on economic development programs and policies administered by the states of New York, Washington, and Oregon, as well as Metro Denver. The next phase of this project is to examine practices within Illinois using the framework developed in the first phase. Committee members were asked to provide feedback and suggestions.

5.0 Local Technical Assistance Project: Planning for Progress, Courtney Pogue

Courtney Pogue, Cook County's Deputy Director of Economic Development, presented an overview of the County's plan to create a combined Consolidated Plan and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The project, Planning for Progress, is being conducted with assistance from CMAP's Local Technical Assistance program. Staff responded to questions and described this new approach will help the county improve how it coordinates resources. To ensure the plan is reflective of the regional nature of the economy, staff will review regional data and the county collar CEDS and other related strategies and determine how to coordinate or connect efforts. The committee asked to learn more about collar county economic development plans.

5.0 DCEO Five Year Economic Development Plan, Adam Pollet

Adam Pollet, Director of DCEO, described the state's plan to develop a five year economic development plan. In February, the state will seat a a business council to inform the plan and the goal is to have it complete in July. There have been several listening sessions to get input from the public and a range of experts are also assisting. The plan will be oriented around three themes: sector promotion, chronic high unemployment and poverty, and regional economic growth. Mr. Pollet responded to questions and described the intent to include goals and metrics and DCEO will work to connect to other state agency goals. The committee also talked about the EDA announcement for creating Manufacturing Communities Partnership, and while there were no firm plans on a particular application, DCEO does plan to be involved.

6.0 Other Business.

There was no other business.

7.0 Next Meeting

The committee will meet next on January 9.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Annie Byrne

Committee Liaison